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FLASH BULLETIN

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BAIL CLOSES SCHOOL; CLASSES DISCONTINUED UNTIL PRESENT EMERGENCY IS OVER

It has been officially confirmed that OU will remain closed until the present flood emergency is past. "If the dikes hold, school will stay closed until Monday," said John Woods in charge of flood workers.

Woods said that constant reinforcement of the dikes will be necessary until the crest is well past Omaha and Council Bluffs. Should the dikes break, there will be no need for volunteer workers in the flooded areas. School will then be opened immediately.

According to Woods, any changes in this plan will be announced over the radio stations.

By noon, over 300 students and 30 faculty members had been dispatched to the levees and dikes in Omaha and Council Bluffs.

Since the first call Monday morning, over 1,000 students have served in some phase of the emergency. Many students have been working straight through--disregarding the normal five hour shifts and catching a few minutes sleep on the lawns, in the lounge and on cots in Room 291.

If West Council Bluffs looks like a ghost town, then OU looks like a "ghost school." A few, forlorn coeds maintain the illusion of academic activity.

"The girls are doing a wonderful job, too," said Harlan Cain, director of the Student Center. They have been serving food day and night to the boys on relief periods.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, SIGMA PHI EPSILON MAINTAIN WEEKEND SOCIAL SCHEDULES

Two university organizations have not postponed their scheduled weekend activities.

ALUMS ...

An annual affair, the Alumni Lang Syme Dance, is slated for the Blackstone Hotel. All senior students will be guests of the alumni for the Saturday night dance.

Seniors have received formal invitations. Admission for alumni is \$2.40 a couple. Any senior student who has not received an invitation is urged to report to the alumni office at OU.

Gary Penisten and his band will play in the Ballroom from 9 to 12. Preceding the dance, a social hour will be held in the Assembly room.

A new alma mater song, written by Berkley Forsythe and Rolly Klopfleisch, will also be presented.

SIG EPS ...

"It'll be relaxation for tired flood workers," said Howard Olson, chairman of the Sig Ep Sweetheart Dance scheduled for Friday night.

Originally slated for the flood-affected Carter Lake Club, the informal dance will be held at the Blackstone Ballroom from 9 p.m. to midnight. Eddy Haddad and his band will provide the music.

During intermission ceremonies, the fraternity will announce the Sig Ep Sweetheart. Candidates for the title include Janet Brace, Barbara Cothran, Joanne Egbert, Dorothy Ehlers, Joanne Gross and Janet Johnson.